

**EXAMINING BOARD OF SOCIAL WORKERS, MARRIAGE AND FAMILY
THERAPISTS AND PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS
MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY SECTION
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 18, 2002**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Peter Fabian, Lynn Gauger, Ann Marie Rathburn, Linda Schwallie

STAFF PRESENT: Kimberly Nania, Ph.D., Bureau Director; John Schweitzer, Legal Counsel; Pamela Meicher, Program Assistant

GUESTS: Robert Daugherty, Wisconsin Association of MFT

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Linda Schwallie called the meeting to order at 9:17 A.m. A quorum of four members was present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Amendment: Added WAMFT Report with Visitor Comments under Other Board Business.

MOTION: Peter Fabian moved, seconded by Anne Marie Rathburn, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JULY 17, 2002

MOTION: Lynn Gauger moved, seconded by Peter Fabian, to approve the minutes as written. Motion carried unanimously.

**SUMMARY REPORTS ON PENDING COURT CASES, DISCIPLINARY CASES AND
ADMINISTRATIVE RULES AND PRESS RELEASES**

Noted.

DISCUSSION OF REVISED AODA RULES

The Board reviewed the latest language on SFC 1.09 Alcohol and drug counseling.

Linda Schwallie discussed the letter she had faxed to Secretary Oscar Herrera. She had not received a response from her letter. Deputy Secretary Greg Horstman and Bill Dusso, General Counsel, plan to meet with the Board members later today at the Joint Board meeting.

John Schweitzer, Legal Counsel, discussed the relationship the Department has with the Wisconsin Certification Board (WCB). It was his understanding at one time, that the DHFS wanted the department to explore the possibility to handle the AODA Certification. John had also spoken with DHFS briefly on how the department could get resources and funds, should the

department take over the AODA certification. The department has requested dollars in next year's budget pertaining to the AODA rule.

The Section discussed AODA as a specialty practice. Specialty is identified when additional training criteria has been satisfied; such as education, training and experience.

ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE REGARDING CE REQUIREMENT AND ANY OTHER LANGUAGE RELATED TO ACT 80

The following CE requirement will be included in each of the sections' rules, SCF 8.02 (1) (d), SFC 14.03 (2) and SFC 19.01 (2):

A credential holder who treats alcohol or substance dependency or abuse as a specialty must complete at least 10 of the required 30 continuing education hours in alcohol or substance dependency or abuse education, and will be granted credit against the required 30 hours for no more than 18 hours in alcohol or substance dependency or abuse education.

OTHER BOARD BUSINESS

Robert Daugherty, WAMFT, joined the Section in discussion of specialties. They discussed when referrals are necessary and how scope of training needs to be identified by specific education and training received. Robert Daugherty said that due to the time constraints of the Act 80 Hearing, the WAMFT would not be able to give their input.

The Section wants to ensure that the public is aware of the WCB's stand of Act 80; what the WCB does, how they work, what they are accountable for, what it means to practice and what that means to the public. The Section would like to disseminate this information to the public in any way possible.

John Schweitzer led the discussion of whether the AODA and Psychometric testing can be split up so the Section and Department can be sure that at least one gets through the Legislature.

The Section asked if the two parts of the Bill can be separated. John Schweitzer advised the Section that the Committee must object in part. If the Assembly Committee objects to part of the AODA rule, the rest of the Bill can go through.

The Section reviewed the revised application form for the Training Certificate. The new forms need to be available by November 1st. A new Supervisory form is also required to show the required 3000 hours and an affidavit from the supervisor. Julie Reimanm will provide John Schweitzer with a Professional Counselor form to use as an example.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Anne Marie Rathburn moved, seconded by Peter Fabian, to adjourn to closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(a)(b)(f) and (g), to review applications, deliberate on proposed Stipulations, review DOE cases, and, consult with legal counsel. Roll Call Vote: Peter Fabian-yes; Lynn

Gauger-yes; Anne Marie Rathburn-yes; Linda Schwallie-yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Open session recessed at 12:03 pm.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

MOTION: Peter Fabian moved, seconded by Anne Marie Rathburn, to reconvene to open session. Motion carried unanimously.

Open session reconvened at 12:10 pm.

CORRESPONDENCE REGARDING THE MARITAL THERAPY EXAMINATION REQUIREMENT: CHAVA E. LEE, PH.D.

MOTION: Peter Fabian moved, seconded by Anne Marie Rathburn, that candidate Chava E. Lee, PhD, be instructed that he needs to take the exam and pass it successfully. Motion carried unanimously.

APPLICATION/REINSTATEMENT

MOTION: Peter Fabian moved, seconded by Lynn Gauger, to approve the application materials for Maureen Kilgust so she may sit for the AMFTRB examination. Motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION – WHAT TO DO WITH APPLICANTS THAT ARE ALREADY IN PROCESS, WORKING ON INTERSHIPS (NOV. 1, 2002)

The Section discussed applicants working on internships. The date on the examination application along with the money required determines the actual date of the application. Those applications dated prior to November 1st will be processed by the old rules. Applications dated November 1st and after will be subject to the new rules. There will be no changes in face to face 1000 hours. The other 2000 hours need to be documented.

MOTION: Lynn Gauger moved, seconded by Peter Fabian, that applicants received before November 1, 2002 will be processed under the old regulation. Applicants received after November 1, 2002, will be subject to the rules of Act 80. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Peter Fabian moved, seconded by Anne Marie Rathburn, that applicants with supervisors acceptable under old rules have a grace period until May 1, 2003 to continue with them. After May 1, 2003, supervisors must meet the new Act 80 supervisor rules. Motion carried unanimously.

PSYCHOMETERIC TESTING

MOTION: Peter Fabian moved, seconded by Lynn Gauger, to accept changes by the Psychology chair on Psychometric testing and remove item 5 from the language in SFC 1.11 Psychometric testing. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Anne Marie Rathburn moved, seconded by Peter Fabian, that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:51 p.m.